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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON: Indian Purchase				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Goose Creek Farm				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: Goose Creek Road, 1 mile north of route 16				
CITY OR TOWN: Secretary				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Dorchester		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
<b>CATEGORY</b> (Check One)	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>		<b>STATUS</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<b>Yes:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Mr. & Mrs. Guy Warner				
STREET AND NUMBER: RFD				
CITY OR TOWN: East New Market		STATE: Maryland		21631
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Dorchester County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: High Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge		STATE: Maryland		21613
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 121/336				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION			
CONDITION	(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair
	(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Uncolored	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved
	(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE			
<p>Indian Purchase house is a large brick Federal style dwelling with a one story brick wing on the south and a two story frame wing on the north. The central portion of the building is the oldest part of the house and it is four bays long with the entrance in the second bay from the south side. The entrance has side lights and transom and is protected by a small portico of twentieth century date. Flemish bond brickwork was used on the principal (east) facade, common bond on the other three sides. Brick jack arches are above the windows, those of the facade being deeper than the rest. Typical of the Federal style dwelling on the Eastern Shore, the facade is a gable facade, similar to the Edmondson House in East New Market. Like that house, the entrance is off-center and there are two attic windows. Unlike it, however, is the placement of the chimney in the center of the back gable. Each of the windows have 6/6 sash and louvered shutters.</p> <p>On the south side of the structure there appears to have been a door which is now bricked up. Adjacent it is another window and above are two windows. On the opposite side was another door, but it also has been bricked up. The west side of the building has three windows on first and second story and two windows in the attic between which rises the tall chimney. There is a brick terrace of 20th century origin.</p> <p>The south wing is also built of brick laid in common bond. On its gable is a chimney. The wing is three bays long and has brickwork comparable to that in the gable of the principal facade, above the second story window arches. The texture of the brick would appear to indicate a mid-19th century date.</p> <p>Since the north wing is twentieth century it will suffice to say that it is constructed on a brick foundation and is four bays in length with a small wing attached thereto.</p> <p>The original floor plan consisted of a hall across the entire east facade with two rooms west thereof. A bath has been added at the south end of the hall and a closet at the north end, beneath the stair landing. The floor plan of the second story was the same except that there was originally a room at the south end of the hall.</p> <p>Alterations in this part of the house consist of the installation of a bath and hall above the living room, and a cabinet adjacent the fireplace in the room above the dining room. A door has been broken through to the north wing from the latter bedroom.</p> <p>All of the interior trim is the same throughout the old part of the house. The molding profiles are typical of the Ante-bellum period and are similar to that in Garden of Eden, Dorchester County. The doors are hung on butt hinges and have four panels with applied molding. Some of the doors on the second story lack the applied molding. Beneath the windows of the first story are narrow horizontal panels. There is also a cornice in all of the rooms which appears to be of the same period as the remainder of the woodwork. Most of the</p>			

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE****PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- ☐ Pre-Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☒ 18th Century      ☐ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☒ 19th Century

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)****AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | lasaphy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The importance of Indian Purchase lies not only in the quality of the architecture, but also because the property is the last known place on which the Choptank Indians lived in Dorchester County (c. 1790)

In an indenture dated August 29, 1693, the transfer of land to Frances Taylor, wife of Thomas Taylor is signed by Hach Wap, his Queen and five men of the Choptank Tribe of Indians. The Indians are recorded to have been living at Locust Point, across the creek from the house as late as the end of the 18th century.

It is of interest that the property in question has not been definitely pin pointed as to the ownership during the 18th century, caused undoubtedly by the lack of records in the Dorchester County Courthouse.

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

A Day in Dorchester, 1967, Dorchester County Historical Society.  
 Footner, Hulbert, Rivers of the Eastern Shore, Rinehart & Company, New York, 1944, p. 189.  
 Forman, H. C., Early Manor and Plantation Houses of Maryland, 1934, p. 169.  
 Laskowski Papers, 1955, p. 105.

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"		
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

District 2, Map 21, p. 16.

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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET AND NUMBER:

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

CITY OR TOWN:

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

21401

## 12.

State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

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7. Description (continued)

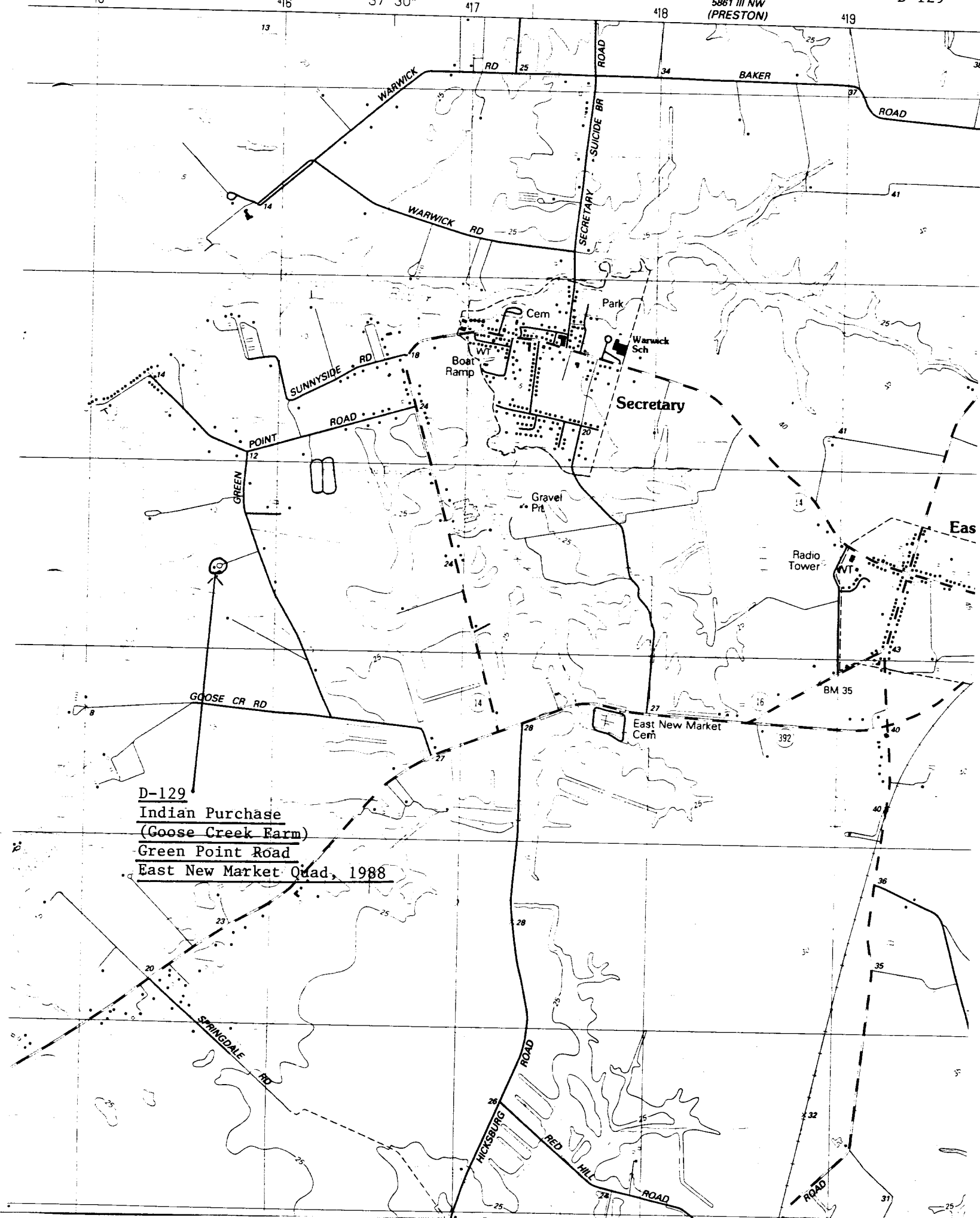
alterations made by the present owners have been made with meticulous care taken to follow the original molding profiles.

A very impressive feature of the interior is the walnut balustrade of the stair. It has both newels and balusters turned. From the second story to the attic, the stair is enclosed. The attic is unfinished. Where the two chimney stacks join on the west wall is a wide supporting arch.

On examination of the roof members, the joinery is found to lack the finish of the earlier buildings in Dorchester County. The tie beams are half lapped and nailed onto the rafters which are not lapped. With this evidence, as well as the trim, floors and brickwork of the facade, it is conjectured that the house either suffered from fire or total deterioration and was reconstructed in the mid-19th century, along with the brick south wing.

The latter wing has been converted into a living room, with ceiling following the contour of the low pitched roof.

Around the house, the grounds are well maintained and boast many different specimen trees. North of the house is a grave yard bearing stones of the Hodson and Holland families. The house is situated to take best advantage of the view across Goose Creek to the Choptank River.



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Indian Purchase  
(Goose Creek Farm)

Green Point Road

East New Market Quad, 1988

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M. Bourne July 1945